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Chefoo—Summary of Plague Deaths.

Consul Foster reports, March 20:

The total number of deaths from plague reported at Chefoo to March 17, is 1,004. The number of plague deaths reported during the week ended March 17 is 57, the lowest reported since the beginning of the outbreak.

Harbin—Status of Plague—Improved Conditions.

Consul Greene reports, March 14:

The plague epidemic at Fuchiatien seems to have practically come to an end, there having been no deaths during the three days ended March 12, and only 3 during the whole week. In Harbin also there is improvement, though there was still an average of 3 deaths per day in the city for the whole week.

The deaths for the week according to the Chinese and Russian officials returns were as follows:

	Mar. 5-11, 1911.	Total since beginning, Nov. 8, 1910.
Harbin.....	23	} 11,542
Bodies found outside city.....	11	
Fuchiatien.....	3	
Total.....	37	5,149
		6,691

140 Europeans.

Both the Russians and the Chinese are reducing the personnel of their plague prevention bureaus. Ten Chinese health officers will be left in Fuchiatien for the present to finish up the work.

According to all reports conditions are improving also in the outlying districts, partly on account of the natural weakening of the epidemic and partly on account of the better understanding on the part of the officials and people of the nature of the disease, which enables them to take the comparatively simple precautions necessary to prevent the spreading of the infection. During the last few weeks, when the number of cases in Fuchiatien has been comparatively small, members of the foreign-trained staff have been sent out to neighboring towns and villages to give instructions as to the measures to be taken against plague. Scouting parties made up of Russian and Chinese officials and physicians, escorted by soldiers of both nationalities, have been investigating conditions on both sides of the railway—to the east, west, and south. It appears that the region around Mulin, which lies to the east of Ninguta on the railway, has been free from plague since the beginning of the epidemic.

Mukden—Status of Plague in South Manchuria.

Consul General Fisher reports, March 7:

According to the returns of the sanitary department, 163 deaths from plague occurred at Mukden during the week ended March 4, as against 177 deaths returned for the week ended February 25. These figures indicate an improvement in conditions at Mukden. The official returns also indicate a general improvement at the other chief

infected centers in south Manchuria. At Fakumen, the deaths reported for the week ended March 3 were 29, compared with 57 deaths for the week ended February 24, and 55 deaths for the week ended February 15. Reports from Hsinmintun are incomplete for the earlier part of February, but for the week ended February 28 there were reported 74 deaths, which seems to indicate a slight decrease. The latest reports from Tiehling give but 2 or 3 deaths a day. At Changchun, for the week ended March 2 there were reported 207 deaths, as compared with 409 deaths during the week ended February 23 and 513 deaths during the week ended February 16. At Kirin, 45 deaths are reported for the week ended March 4, as against 49 deaths during the week ended February 25 and 101 deaths during the week ended February 18. The situation at Kaiyuan is not now reported as serious, 1 to 5 cases being reported daily. The town of Liaoyang is not infected, but 55 cases have been reported to date in the near vicinity. Plague was introduced there through the bringing to a Chinese inn of two corpses hidden in a cartload of tobacco.

In addition to the deaths from plague at Changchun of 4 donkeys, previously reported, another instance of the infection of this animal is reported from Fushun. In this case a Chinese coolie is reported to have contracted infection from the animal.

The latest returns of the sanitary department at Mukden give the total deaths from plague in the different districts to the dates indicated, as follows:

District.	Number of deaths.	Date of last report.
Mukden.....	1,533	Mar. 5
Cheng Te.....	517	Feb. 28
Chang Tu.....	375	Feb. 27
Hsinmintun.....	319	Mar. 1
Feng Hua.....	19	Feb. 17
Huai Te.....	553	Feb. 26
Pen Hsi.....	17	Feb. 10
Tieh Ling.....	73	Mar. 1
Kai Yuan.....	204	Do.
Ching Hsi.....	11	Feb. 25
Fushan.....	65	Do.
Fa Ku.....	222	Mar. 3
I Chow.....	66	Feb. 23
Ning Yuan.....	52	Feb. 25
Liao Yang.....	55	Mar. 5
Liao Yuan.....	20	Feb. 27
Chen An.....	82	Do.
Hsi An.....	28	Feb. 13
Ching Chow.....	33	Feb. 23
Kwang Ning.....	91	Feb. 19
Shu Chung.....	76	Feb. 16
Hsi Fung.....	13	Feb. 21
Kang Ping.....	113	Feb. 19
An Feng Line.....	41	Feb. 13
Pan Shan.....	3	Feb. 24
Hal Loong.....	4	Feb. 27
Harbin, including Russian hospitals.....	6,562	Feb. 28
Changchun.....	2,478	Mar. 3
Pin Chow.....	641	Feb. 22
Hsin Cheng.....	346	Feb. 20
Ah Cheng.....	936	Feb. 26
Hu Lan.....	1,536	Feb. 27
Pa Yen.....	462	Feb. 18
Ning An.....	6	Feb. 18
Tun Hua.....	14	Feb. 3
Lan Hsi.....	249	Feb. 21
I Lan.....	111	Feb. 27
Mu Lan.....	243	Feb. 27
Lu Pin.....	332	Feb. 13
Nung An.....	134	Feb. 23

District.	Number of deaths.	Date of last report.
Sui Hwa.....	1,169	Feb. 26
Tsi Tsi Har.....	703	Feb. 26
Hai Lun.....	182	Feb. 27
Kirin.....	330	Mar. 4
I Tung.....	108	Feb. 27
Yu Shu.....	432	Feb. 16
Shwang Cheng.....	5,167	Feb. 19
Wu Shang.....	134	Feb. 25
Shu Lan.....	118	Feb. 18
Tah Lai.....	17
Total.....	26,995	

The above table does not include all the infected districts. Asiho and Hailar, both large places and badly infected, are omitted. Whole villages in the vicinity of Kungchuling are known to have been wiped out. No account seems to have been taken of a small settlement near Mukden, on the Hun River, to which about 300 of the poorest class were sent from Mukden, 168 of whom are known to have died of plague.

A crematorium is now being constructed at Mukden and all plague corpses will hereafter be cremated.

Swatow—Plague and Smallpox in District.

Consul Williams reports, March 11:

Plague and smallpox are present in the consular district, but not in epidemic form.

CUBA.

No Quarantinable Diseases in the Island.

Acting Asst. Surg. Villoldo at Habana reports, April 4:

During the week ended April 1 no quarantinable diseases were reported in the island of Cuba.

HAWAII.

Cholera at Honolulu.

Chief Quarantine Officer Ramus reported the occurrence on April 15 of 2 cases of cholera with 2 deaths and on April 16 the occurrence of a death from cholera, making a total from April 12 of 4 cases with 4 deaths, and a total from the date of the previous outbreak, February 25, of 35 cases with 26 deaths.

Record of Plague Infection.

Last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.

At Hilo the last case of human plague occurred March 23, 1910. A fatal case occurred at Honokaa, 60 miles from Hilo, December 17, 1910, and 2 fatal cases were reported January 31, 1911.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Honokaa February 2, 1911.